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Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was fair to moderate, best where features were noted. In the parts complex, breast items and wings were at least sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts and tenders were adequate to well cleared. Weights were mostly

desirable.

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## Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: 03-MAY-2008

Weight Range	4.25 & Down	4.26 - 6.25	6.26-7.75	7.76 & Up	Total
Total (000)	46,295	76,336	26,680	19,343	168,654
WTAvg Live W	gt 3.85	5.46	6.67	8.33	5.54
Percentage of	total 27%	45%	16%	12%	100 %

Fast Food and F	Food Service Sizes	No. of Head	Percentage of
Live Weights	RTC WOG Weights	<u>(000</u> )	<b>Total Slaughter</b>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	5,638	3.34
3.61 – 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. – 2 lbs., 10 oz.	4,615	2.74
3.81 – 4.00 lbs	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	12,690	7.52
4.01 – 4.25 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz 2 lbs., 15 oz	23,352	<u> 13.85</u>
		46 295	27.45

## BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

					Eggs Set		Chicks Place	ed Pre	elim. Fed. Ir	ısp.	
Slaughter	Egg		Chicks		10 Weeks		7 Weeks	N	Million head	l	
Week	Sets		Placed		Previous		Previous		Slaughtered		
	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%**	
Mar 08	218,613	101	179,194	103	218,967	104	178,783	103	164,514	99	
Mar 15	218,902	101	180,022	103	217,209	103	177,611	103	166,377	101	
Mar 22	216,791	100	180,961	103	215,444	102	176,060	102	160,412	96	
Mar 29	216,422	100	180,429	103	216,467	104	176,413	103	160,207	100	
Apr 05	217,817	99	180,126	102	217,697	104	177,541	103	166,456	104	
Apr 12	217,465	99	178,594	101	218,880	103	178,240	103	165,977	100	
Apr 19	215,495	98	177,173	100	217,271	102	177,627	102	165,918	100	
Apr 26	213,228	98	178,108	99	218,479	102	179,798	103	165,215	100	
May 03	213,567	98	177,234	98	219,311	102	180,426	103	168,654	102	
Data in <b>bold</b> are subject to revision				*Perce	ent of previo	ous vear	**Percent char	ige from	previous v	veek	

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Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
76-79	78.30	78.25	79.95
76-79	77.85	77.94	78.35
91	90.64	90.46	85.57
	81.53	82.08	81.76
(83.00)	81.44	81.08	78.61
Avg.	57.37	57.37	70.48
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Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast	<b>Southern States</b>	Georgia
Weekly Weighted Average	(Delivered)	(FOB)	(FOB)
	05/09/08	05/09/08	05/1208
Breast – B/S	150.56	146.22	152.50
Tenderloins	138.26	137.26	177.50 (Line run)
Breast – Line Run	81.14	81.86	85.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	47.57	44.74	47.50
Wings	94.42	81.28	103.00

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